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**U.S. ATTORNEY FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK  
ANNOUNCES SUPERVISORY CHANGES IN SEVERAL UNITS**

DAVID N. KELLEY, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, announced supervisory changes in several of the Office's Criminal Division units.

LYNN NEILS and KIM BERGER will become Chiefs of the Major Crimes and Computer Hacking/Intellectual Property (CHIPS) Unit. They succeed Jonathan Halpern and Evan Barr, who are leaving the Office.

LAURA BIRGER joins Daniel Gitner as Co-Chief of the General Crimes Unit.

MARC MUKASEY will serve as the new Chief of the Narcotics Unit, assisted by JOSH LEVINE as the new Deputy Chief of Narcotics.

BRIAN COAD, who has been the Deputy Chief in Narcotics, becomes Senior Trial Counsel and will assist in some of the Office's significant public corruption and white collar cases.

BOYD JOHNSON will join the growing International Narcotics Trafficking Unit as Deputy Chief.

DAVID ESSEKS will succeed the departing Steven Peikin as Co-Chief, with RICHARD OWENS, of the Securities and Commodities Frauds Unit.

RICHARD DADDARIO is named Deputy Chief of the Organized Crime and Terrorism Unit, replacing John Hillebrecht, who is on a leave of absence.

KATHERINE FAILLA and HARRY SANDICK will serve as Deputy Chiefs of the Appeals Unit.

STANLEY OKULA has been designated the Tax Coordinator in recognition of his leadership and supervisory assistance in tax cases.

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